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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
GARNIER *et al.* :  
  
Serial No.: Herewith :  
Filed: Herewith : Group Art Unit: TBA  
For: SILICON REFINING METHOD :  
AND INSTALLATION : Examiner: TBA

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

SIR:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the rules relating to the duty of disclosure, 37 CFR §1.56 and §1.97, Applicants submit herewith Form PTO-1449 and copies of the references listed therein.

Also submitted is a copy of an International Search Report showing the pertinence of the prior art documents submitted herewith. As can be seen, the cited documents are "Category A" references which show the general state of the art.

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Applicants believe that no fee is due at this time, since an Official Action has not yet been received. If, however, a fee is deemed due, authority is hereby given to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1057.

Consideration and entry of these references is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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